

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL
MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2018 AT 5:00 P.M. IN
THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

MAYOR: Tonita Gurulé-Girón

COUNCILORS: David A. Ulibarri, Jr.
Vincent Howell
David L Romero
Barbara A. Casey

ALSO PRESENT: Ann Marie Gallegos, Interim City Manager
Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk
David Silva, Acting City Attorney
Chris Lopez, Sergeant at Arms

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. prayed for strength in our community, our children, ourselves and to make the right decisions.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilor Howell made a motion to approve the agenda as is. Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. seconded the motion. Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

David L. Romero	Yes	Vincent Howell	Yes
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Barbara A. Casey

Yes

David A. Ulibarri, Jr.

Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT

Interim City Manager Ann Marie Gallegos advised that there was no one signed up for Public Input at this time.

BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Approval/Disapproval to adopt Resolution 18-15 Run-Off Election for the City of Las Vegas.

City Clerk Casandra Fresquez thanked the Governing body for approving the Special meeting and gave a recap of the March 6, 2018 Election advising that Canvassing took place on March 8th at 10:00 a.m. with Magistrate Judge Christian Montano, County Clerk Geraldine Gutierrez, County Deputy Clerk Louanna Sanchez, Deputy Clerk Danielle Sena and herself being present.

City Clerk Fresquez advised the Governing body of the number of voters that had voted and informed that after some research, she found that Ward 1 had about 2,500 registered voters with only 557 voting in the March 6th election and that in Ward 4, 2,400 were registered to vote and only 584 voted. She also advised that the number of city wide voters for Municipal Judge was 1,693, out of approximately 10,000 registered voters.

City Clerk Fresquez informed that the total number of voters for the March 6th, 2018 Election was 2,834. She encouraged everyone to tell friends, family and co-workers to go out and vote and advised that she would be informing the public about the Run-Off Election over the radio the following Friday.

Councilor Casey had a question regarding the term “in lieu of”.

City Clerk Fresquez explained that during Canvassing if they have anyone who did not receive their ballot through the mail and go vote on Election day, they must sign a certification stating that they did not receive their ballot and that they are voting “in lieu of” that absentee ballot. She advised that during canvassing the in

lieu of is reviewed by the canvassing board and there was a total of 6 “in lieu of” ballots.

City Clerk Casandra Fresquez advised that in accordance with the City of Las Vegas Municipal charter, a candidate must receive fifty percent (50%) plus one (1) of the votes cast for the particular office or a run-off-election shall be held between the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes which shall be held within forty five (45) days after certification of the result of the election. This resolution will allow the city Clerk’s Office to proceed with preparation for the run-off election.

City Clerk Fresquez advised that the Election calendar for the April 17, 2018 run-off was only a small portion of the preparation for the run-off election which was provided to all candidates and was also posted on the City’s website. She stated that if approved, Resolution 18-15 would also be available on the website and would be sent to the New Mexico Secretary of State and to San Miguel County Clerk’s Office.

City Clerk Fresquez gave a detailed overview of Resolution No. 18-15 Run-Off Election for the City of Las Vegas, New Mexico. She informed that in the race for Municipal Judge, Eddie Trujillo received 73.14% of the votes.

Councilor Casey advised that many constituents commented on how easy it was to locate the voting sites during the election and that they were pleased with the outcome of the way things were set up.

City Clerk Fresquez advised that March 12, 2018 would be the first day to register to vote with the County Clerk’s Office and the books would close on March 30, 2018. She added that election would take place on April 17, 2018 with canvassing taking place on April 19, 2018 and stated that candidates would take the oath by April 23, 2018. City Clerk Fresquez added that Municipal Judge Eddie Trujillo had taken his oath on time and that the Organizational meeting would take place between April 23rd and May 8th.

Councilor Casey made a motion to approve to adopt Resolution 18-15 Resolution 18-15 Run-Off Election for the City of Las Vegas. Councilor Romero seconded the motion. Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Vincent Howell	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes
Barbara A. Casey	Yes	David L. Romero	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

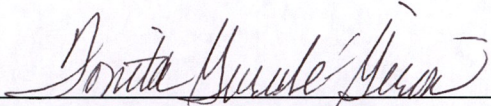
Interim City Manager Gallegos advised there was no need to go into Executive Session at this time.

ADJOURN

Councilor Casey made a motion to adjourn. Councilor Romero and Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. seconded the motion. Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

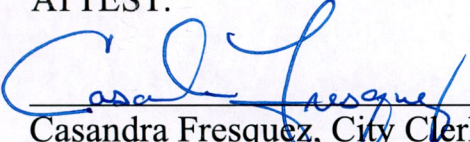
David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes	Vincent Howell	Yes
Barbara A. Casey	Yes	David L. Romero	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.



 Mayor Tonita Gurulé-Girón

ATTEST:



 Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk